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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on March 23, 2004

Please amend the application as follows:

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Amendments in the Claims: (struck-through parts deleted and underlined parts added)

1. (currently amended) A securing device for selectively preventing movement of a rose protective covering, said device including:

a flexible panel, said panel having a top side, a bottom side, and a peripheral edge;

35 a plurality of elongate members each having an attached end attached to said

peripheral edge and a free end extending away from said panel, said

peripheral edge comprising an elastomeric loop;

a plurality of spikes, each of said spikes being attached to one of said free ends of said elongate members; and



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